Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An autonomic management apparatus for autonomic management of system resources on a grid computing system, the apparatus comprising:

a storage device storing executable code;

a processor executing the executable code, the executable code comprising:

a monitor module configured to monitor the grid computing system for a trigger event;

a policy module configured to access one of a plurality of system policies, each of the plurality of system policies corresponding to an operational control parameter of a system resource of the grid computing system, wherein the plurality of system policies comprises a system prediction policy; and

a regulation module configured to autonomically regulate the system resource in response to a recognized trigger event according to one of the plurality of system policies.

- 2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the trigger event comprises one of an initiation trigger event, a regulation trigger event, and a prediction trigger event.
- 3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the operational control parameter comprises a command to regulate the system resource.
- 4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the system resource comprises one of a client processor capacity, a client storage capacity, and a client memory capacity allocated to the grid computing system.

- 5. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the regulation module comprises a reservation module configured to reserve the system resource for a grid system operation.
- 6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the regulation module comprises a termination module configured to terminate a reservation of a system resource for a grid system operation.
- 7. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the regulation module comprises an arbitration module configured to arbitrate conflicting grid system operations according to an arbitration policy.
- 8. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the regulation module comprises a profile module configured to store a system resource profile, the system resource profile identifying a system resource of a client, the system resource allocated by the client to the grid computing system.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the plurality of system policies further comprises at least one of a system regulation policy and a system termination policy.

10-19. (canceled)

20. (Currently Amended) A method for autonomic management of system resources on a grid computing system, the method comprising:

monitoring, by use of a processor, the grid computing system for a trigger event; accessing one of a plurality of system policies, each of the plurality of system policies corresponding to an operational control parameter of a system resource of the grid computing system, wherein the plurality of system policies comprises a system prediction policy; and

regulating the system resource in response to a recognized trigger event according to one of the plurality of system policies.

- 21. (Original) The method of claim 20, further comprising reserving the system resource for a grid system operation.
- 22. (Original) The method of claim 20, further comprising terminating a reservation of a system resource for a grid system operation.
- 23. (Currently Amended) A method for autonomic management of grid system resources on a grid computing system, the method comprising:

monitoring, by use of processor, the grid computing system for a trigger event, the trigger event comprising one of an initiation trigger event, a regulation trigger event, and a prediction trigger event;

accessing one of a plurality of system policies, wherein the plurality of system policies comprises a system prediction policy, each of the plurality of system policies corresponding to an operational control parameter of a system resource of the grid computing system, the operational control parameter comprising a command to regulate the system resource;

regulating the system resource in response to a recognized trigger event according to one of the plurality of system policies and, the system resource comprising one of a client processor capacity, a client storage capacity, and a client memory capacity allocated to the grid computing system;

storing a system resource profile, the system resource profile identifying a system resource of a client, the system resource allocated by the client to the grid computing system.

24. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage medium <u>storingeomprising</u> <u>executable computer readable</u> code <u>executed by a processor configured</u> to carry out a method for autonomic management of system resources on a grid computing system, the method comprising:

monitoring the grid computing system for a trigger event;

accessing one of a plurality of system policies, each of the plurality of system policies corresponding to an operational control parameter of a system resource of the grid computing system, wherein the plurality of system policies comprises a system prediction policy; and

regulating the system resource in response to a recognized trigger event according to one of the plurality of system policies.

- 25. (Original) The computer readable storage medium of claim 24, wherein the trigger event comprises one of an initiation trigger event, a regulation trigger event, and a prediction trigger event.
- 26. (Original) The computer readable storage medium of claim 24, wherein the method further comprises reserving the system resource for a grid system operation.
- 27. (Original) The computer readable storage medium of claim 24, wherein the method further comprises terminating a reservation of a system resource for a grid system operation.
- 28. (Original) The computer readable storage medium of claim 24, wherein the method further comprises arbitrating conflicting grid system operations according to an arbitration policy.
- 29. (Original) The computer readable storage medium of claim 24, wherein the method further comprises storing a system resource profile, the system resource profile identifying a system resource of a client, the system resource allocated by the client to the grid computing system.

30. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for autonomic management of grid system resources on a grid computing system, the apparatus comprising:

a storage device storing executable code;

a processor executing the executable code, the executable code comprising: means for monitoring the grid computing system for a trigger event;

means for accessing one of a plurality of system policies, each of the plurality of system policies corresponding to an operational control parameter of a system resource of the grid computing system, wherein the plurality of system policies comprises a system prediction policy; and

means for regulating the system resource in response to a recognized trigger event according to one of the plurality of system policies.

- 31. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the system prediction policy is based on collected historical information.
- 32. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 31, wherein the regulation module is further configured to predictively adjust the system resource according to the system prediction policy in anticipation of a typical resource usage.
- 33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, further comprising predictively adjusting the system resource according to the system prediction policy in anticipation of a typical resource usage, wherein the system prediction policy is based on collected historical information.
- 34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, further comprising adjusting a fee assessed to a user of the grid computing system based on a change in the system resource.
- 35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, further comprising blocking a potential change in at least one of the system policies according to a threshold corresponding with a subscription criteria.